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1. Soviet troops housed at Craiova had evacuated that area during the summer of 1949 to establish themselves in the Banat. Only a liaison staff and an information bureau of the Soviet Commandant remained.
2. In 1949, Rumanian troops had replaced the Soviet troops.
3. During May 1951, Rumanian troops had left the region to establish themselves in the Southwest region of Craiova and in the region of the port of Calafat.
4. All the barracks at Craiova had been repaired during May 1951 and at the end of that month, Soviet troops arriving from the USSR occupied these barracks.
5. Soviet troops have taken over the following buildings:
 - a. Hotel number 1 (former Athenae Palace)
 - b. The food supply depot on the Craiova-Caracal route
 - c. Ammunition depot at Isalnita
6. At the end of May 1951, seven to eight Soviet trains going in the direction of Timisoara regularly passed through the Craiova railroad station

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